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From: Miner, Robert
Sent: Tue 5/16/2017 11:05:03 PM
Subject: Re: Leaner

I have reached out to our team and will get back on formal thoughts. For me, I would lean to an open conversation, a brainstorm, on ways forward.

I think we feel the same way about Six Sigma and LEAN. It's about a better path forward, not one program over another. But perhaps we can share what has been positive about our experience and build from there.

We very much appreciate the opportunity to have such positive conversations and are open to seeing where they lead. Thank you!

On May 16, 2017, at 6:55 PM, Strauss, Alexis <Strauss.Alexis@epa.gov> wrote:

Dear Bob,

Superfund Director Enrique Manzanilla, his deputy John Lyons, and I spoke today of your interest in a leaner approach to Leviathan, and possibly groundwater remediation at various sites. We'd be interested in exploring this with you. While we are invested in the formal Lean Six Sigma training as a Regional office, let's take whatever process works and see where it leads. Please suggest next steps.

With thanks,

Alexis

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Subject: cannot thank you enough

Alexis:

Thank you again for sharing Laura Ebbert and her tribal expertise with us. I can't say enough about how valuable we thought her very practical tutorial and guidance was regarding our upcoming Walker River Tribe meeting. She is a gifted teacher and coach.

She and I spoke briefly about the shadowing opportunity you and I discussed and we look forward to welcoming her to campus when she is ready.

Also – we would very much welcome the opportunity to pick up on our conversation at the ECOS conference regarding introducing LEAN principles at Leviathan and brainstorming new approaches to groundwater remediation at our sites in Region 9. Let me know what would be an appropriate next step on both of these items.

Again, thank you so much for your assistance and for Laura's expertise.

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